

Pascagoula Public Library
Local History & Genealogy Dept.
John Robinson Family

Chancery Court Records, Jackson County Mississippi

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1. Testator: W. G. Langley Signed: 28 Aug 1876
Filed in JCM: 18 Sep 1876 Recorded in JCM: 27 Sep 1876, Will Book #1, Page 1
Residence: Jackson County, Mississippi
Persons named: Philander E. Langley, *son*; Laura E. Langley, *dau*.
2. Testator: John McInnis Signed: 7 Aug 1876
Filed in JCM: 16 Dec 1876 Recorded in JCM: 21 Dec 1876, Will Book #1, page 2-4
Residence: Jackson County, Mississippi
Persons named: Addie McLeod McInnis, *wife*; William McLeod McInnis, *son*.
3. Testator: William Perrine Ellison Signed: 1 Mar 1877
Recorded in JCM: 29 Aug 1878, Will Book #1, page 5-7
Residence: New Orleans, Louisiana
Other data: Will made in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana on 3 Aug 1859. Stated in will that he was a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; had been a resident of New Orleans since 1846; he was 42 years old; had no children; father and mother were deceased.
Persons named: Henrietta Delmas Ellison, *wife*.
4. Testator: Richard George Davis Signed: 22 Oct 1878
Recorded in JCM: 21 Nov 1878, Will Book #1, page 8-9
Other data: Originated from Parish of Castemartin, Pembrokeshire, South Wales, England.
Persons named: Mary Davis, *mother*; residence: Hinkton, Pembroke, South Wales, England
5. Testator: Joseph J. Parker Signed: 22 Oct 1878
Filed in JCM: 5 Aug 1878 Recorded in JCM: 17 Apr 1879, Will Book #1, page 9-10
Residence: Jackson County, Mississippi
Persons named: Sarah C Parker, *present wife*. First wife was Nancy Parker (not named as heir); Children mentioned but not named.
6. Testator: John Robinson Signed: 22 Oct 1878
Filed in JCM: 6 Sep 1880 Recorded in JCM: 30 Sep 1880, Will Book #1, page 10-11
Persons named: Harriet Robinson, *wife and her heirs*.
7. Testator: Milicent Rachell McLeod Signed: 1 Mar 1880
Recorded in JCM: 27 Sep 1881, Will Book #1, page 11-12
Residence: Jackson County, Mississippi
Persons named: Nancy Avaline McLeod, *dau*; William Scott McLeod, *son*; Kate E. McInnis, *dau*.
8. Testator: Charles Wattleworth Signed: 16 Nov 1880.
Filed and recorded in JCM: 19 Nov 1881, Will Book #1, page 12-14.
Residence: Ramsey, Parish of Manghold, Isle of Man.
Other data : Died 31 Mar 1881
Persons named: John Wattleworth of Birkenhead, *bro.* of the testator, Charles Wattleworth; Sons of John are: John Wattleworth, *neph*; James Wattleworth, *neph*. Daughter of John, Emily Wattleworth, *niece*; Kate Wattleworth, *niece*. James Wattleworth, *bro.* in America; Robert Wattleworth, *bro.* in Remsay.
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Miss Laura Gautier, administratrix; final account allowed; asministratrix discharged.

361. Mrs. Cornelia O. Harrington vs. Eugene C. Harrington
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 295, #68, 6 Sep 1880
Petition of dower; decree of confession against Eugene C. Harrington who failed to plead answer to petition.
Cornelia O. Harrington vs Eugene C. Harrington
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 324, 12 Mar 1881
Motion to confirm the allotment of dower; allotment confirmed.
362. Probate of estate of John Robinson, deceased
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 286, 6 Mar 1880
Will admitted for probate, Harriet Robinson, widow.
363. Smith Hough vs. Sarah Hough
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 298, #69, 7 Sep 1880
Marriage dissolved.
364. R. B. Alley
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 299, 7 Sep 1880
Petition to remove minority disabilities of Robert B. Alley; Mrs. Isabella Alley, his mother; Virginia Alley, his sister; petition approved.
365. Charles H. Wood, complainant
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 301, #68, 8 Sep 1880
Bill of dower; Land of John Williamson sold and proceeds divided between respondents: Laura Williamson, widow of John Williamson; Alice Williamson, Emily Williamson, Mollie V. Williamson, Ida Williamson, minor children of John Williamson; Peter Williamson, Samuel James, Harriet James, George Daily, and William Daily.
Charles H Woods vs. Peter Williamson
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 311, 7 Mar 1881
Malcolm McLeod, uncle of William Daily, minor; motion to give custody of said minors interest in the funds of the sale if real estate to Malcolm McLeod; motion approved.
Charles Wood et al vs. Peter Williamson et al
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
Page 345, #73, 6 mar 1882
A motion of complainant; it appearing that the defendants Mollie V. Williamson, Ida Williamson, and Laura Williamson have no appointed legal guardian and that their shares in the sale of real estate is \$66.65; ordered that Mrs. Emily Williamson, mother of said minors, be appointed to receive and receipt for said minors share of sale of real estate.
366. Guardianship of Charles Sulley
Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1

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Chocura—Screw Gunboat.

Lieutenant Commander Bancroft Gherardi
Act Master Alfred Washburn
Act Ens'n D M Carver
Act Ens'n Robert Beardsley
Act Ens'n Thomas F Tracey
Act Ens'n Alexander P Atwood
Act Master's Mate Thomas Kennedy
Act Asst Surgeon Benjamin F Hamell
Act Asst Paymaster Elisha L Turner
Second Asst Engineer H H Moloney
Second Asst Engineer Theodore Cooper
Third Asst Engineer Andrew Blythe
Act 3d Assistant Engineer Nelson H Lawton

Cornubia—Side-wheel—Prize.

Act Vol Lieutenant Charles F W Belm
Act Master George Ferris
Act Ens'n Frank P Bibbes
Act Ens'n George A Harriman
Act Ens'n Frank Millett
Act Master's Mate William H Wood
Act Master's Mate William Ross
Act Asst Surgeon John G Dearborn
Act Asst Paymaster A P Eastlake
Act 1st Asst Engineer Samuel R Brumage
Act 2d Asst Engineer Robert Fleming
Act 2d Asst Engineer Thomas J Lavery
Act 3d Asst Engineer Orin T Hill
Act 3d Asst Engineer James A Beynton
Act 3d Asst Engineer George Attham

Cónemaugh—Double-ender.

Lieut Commander J C P deKrafft
Act Master J W Stapleford
Act Master James F Alcorn
Act Ens'n William A Byrnes
Act Ens'n William F Dolliver
Act Ens'n J D Hademan
Act Master's Mate Joseph H Wainwright
Act Master's Mate John Bowman
Act Master's Mate John K Mytinger
Act M Mate William Campbell
Gunner J D Borton
Asst Surgeon J J Allingham
Act Asst Paymaster C E Tayler
Act 1st Asst Engineer Alfred Lapoint
Act 2d Asst Engineer P H Hendricken
Act 2d Asst Engineer Robert Whitehill
Third Asst Engineer Ingersoll F Knowlton
Act 3d Asst Engineer Thomas Kidd

Commodore—Stern-wheel.

Act Master John R Hamilton
" Ens'n S A Ryder
" Master's Mate Michael G Nickerson
" Master's Mate William J Thornton
" 3d Asst Engineer William Connell
" 3d Asst Engineer Edward A Hopkins
" 3d Asst Engineer Sanford Curran

Estrella—Side-wheel.

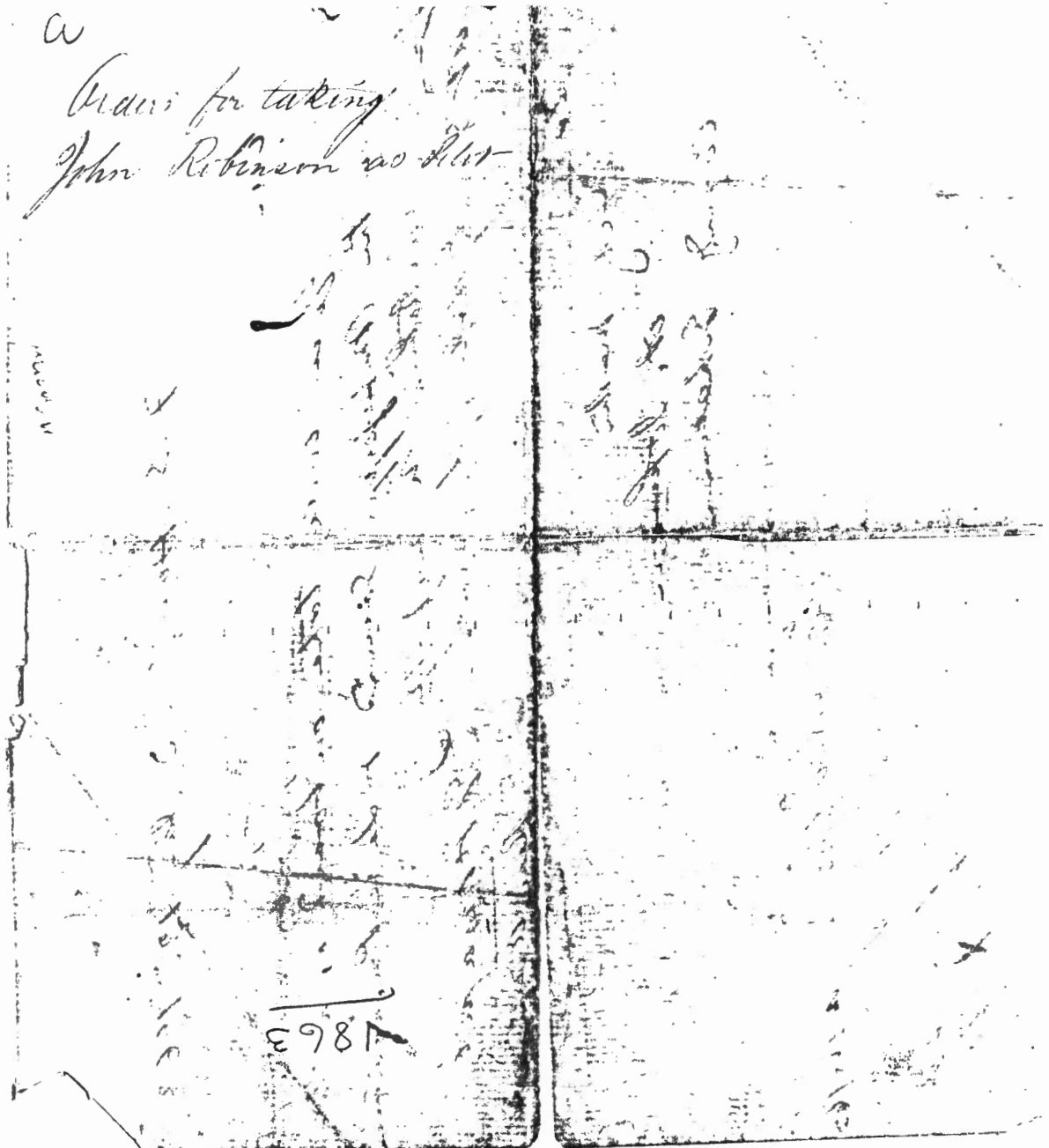
Lieutenant Commander A P Cooke
Act Master G P Pomeroy
Act Ens'n W W Duley
Act Master's Mate R H Wetmore
Act Master's Mate F A Sherman
Act Assistant Surgeon Thomas Hiland
Act Assistant Paymaster Francis J Painter
Act 2d Assistant Engineer Robert G Pope
Act 3d Assistant Engineer George R Marble
Act 3d Assistant Engineer Wm D Pancake
Act 3d Assistant Engineer Joseph F Winters
Act 3d Assistant Engineer John Gilbert

Genesee—Double-ender.

Lieutenant Commander Edward C Grafton
Lieutenant Thomas S Spencer
Act Master William Hanson
Act Master Charles H Baxter
Act Ensn Edward W Halero
Act Ensign (regular) Francis A Cooke
Act Master's Mate Warren J Crosby
Assistant Surgeon David Mack Jr
Act Assistant Paymaster F C Alley
First Class Pilot John Robinson
Act 1st Assistant Engineer
Act 2d Assistant Engineer Charles H Harrub
Act 3d Assistant Engineer Christopher Milton
Act 3d assistant Engineer Mich McLoughlin
Act 3d assistant Engineer Henry Webster

Gertrude—Screw.

Act Master Henry C Wade
Act Ensn William Shepherd
" Ensn Frederick Newell
" Ensn Horace Walter
" Master's Mate Benjamin Leeds
" Master's Mate Charles A Osborne
" Assistant Surgeon Adam Shirk
" Assistant Paymaster Richard R Brawley
" 2d Assistant Engineer Wm H Brown
" 3d Assistant Engineer Joseph H Nesen
" 3d Assistant Engineer Frank C Morey
" 3d Assistant Engineer Charles O Farciot



OFFICE OF
Auditor of Public Accounts

Jackson, Miss. Nov 16. 1866

John Robinson Esq

Dear Sir

Your 9th note is recd
and contents noted

The County Levy for
1867 has not been received and the
lands referred to cannot be purchased
at this office until 8th Decr next

Respectfully

Wm J. Swann

Attorney

Booms of the Committee on the Treatment of
Prisoners of War and Union Citizens,

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17, 1867.

In pursuance of a series of resolutions passed by the House of Representatives, July 10, 1867, the undersigned were appointed a committee to investigate the "Treatment of Prisoners of War and Union Citizens held by the Confederate authorities during the late rebellion."

All persons in possession of important information upon either of these subjects are earnestly requested to address the Committee, as directed below, stating:

First. The name, age, and post office address of the writer.

Second. If a soldier or seaman, his rank or position, and with what command he served.

Third. A full statement of all facts known to the writer touching his own imprisonment or treatment, and that of others, either soldier or citizen, giving, as far as possible, names, places, and dates, with names of Confederate officers in charge.

Correspondents from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas, and the States and Territories lying west of the Rocky Mountains, will please address

JOHN P. C. SHANKS, M. C.,
Washington, D. C.

Correspondents from Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Nevada, and the Territories east of the Rocky Mountains, will address

WILLIAM A. PILE, M. C.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Correspondents from Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, and Minnesota will address

ABNER C. HARDING, M. C.,
Monmouth, Ill.

Correspondents from the New England States will address

AARON F. STEVENS, M. C.,
Nashua, N. H.

Correspondents from Ohio, Michigan, Kentucky, and Tennessee will address

WILLIAM MUNGEN, M. C.,
Findlay, Ohio.

Communications addressed to the members of the Committee will be free of postage.

It is the intention of the Committee to collect all facts necessary to make a thorough official history of this subject.

The various newspapers throughout the country are requested to give this Circular a gratuitous insertion, together with such notice as they may deem proper.

JOHN D. LARRABEE,
Clerk.

JOHN P. C. SHANKS,
WILLIAM A. PILE,
ABNER C. HARDING,
AARON F. STEVENS,
WILLIAM MUNGEN,
Ex-Committee.

GENERAL ORDER, NO. 11.

CAPTURE OF MOBILE.

The following congratulatory letter from the Navy Department, on the capture of the city of Mobile, will be read on the Quarter Deck of the vessels of the West Gulf Squadron, at the first General Muster subsequent to its receipt.

H. K. THATCHER,

Acting Rear Admiral, Commanding West Gulf Squadron.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, April 29, 1865.

SIR: The Department has received your several dispatches, from time to time, advising it of your operations before Mobile—the last one, dated the 15th inst., announcing the surrender, on the day previous, of the city to the Army and Naval forces, commanded respectively by Major General Granger and yourself.

The Department had watched with considerable interest, but with no fear of an unsuccessful result, the combined army and naval movements against the immediate defences of Mobile for the last few weeks, and after the capture of Fort Alexis and Spanish Fort, and the successful shelling, resulting in the evacuation of Forts Tracy and Huger, was not surprised to learn of the retreat of the insurgent force to the interior and the abandonment of their last formidable foothold on the coast.

Although no bloody strife preceded the capture of Mobile, the result was none the less creditable. Much had been expended to render it invulnerable, and nothing but the well-conducted preparations for its capture, which pointed to success, could have induced the rebel commander to abandon it with its formidable defences, mounting nearly 400 guns, many of them of the newest pattern and heaviest calibre, its abundant supply of ammunition and ordnance stores, and its torpedo-planted roads and waters, without a serious conflict.

I am happy in extending to you, and those under your command, and to Major General Granger, and those under his command, the congratulations of the Navy Department for this victory, which places in our possession, with but one exception, all the chief points on the Southern coast, and bids fair to be the closing naval contest of the rebellion.

Very respectfully, &c.,

(Signed)

GIDEON WELLES,

Secretary of the Navy.

Acting Rear Admiral H. K. THATCHER,

Commanding W. G. B. Squadron, Mobile, Ala.

Gulf Squadron.

U. S. FLAG SHIP

Esrella

Off Pascagoula

July 17. 1865.

Sir:

You are hereby granted
a leave of absence of *two* weeks
to visit your home - at Biloxi Miss.
to commence from the date of
leaving your vessel.

Very Respectfully

H. W. Thatcher

AR. Admiral

Assistant Pilot

John Robinson U.S.

U.S. Squadron

Monday

Adm

U. S. S. "Paul Jones"

Mobile Bay, Ala.

August 31st/65.

Sir,

Your leave of absence is extended
two weeks from the 1st. of September,

Respectfully Yrs.

Spuit Comdr.

Com^{dr} John Madigan

Comdg. "Paul Jones"

and Senior Officer at

Mobile Station.

Actg. Master Pilot }
John Robinson, }

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Treasury Department,

Fourth Auditor's Office,

Nov. 24th, 1866.

Sir:

Your Claim for Arrears of Pay

has been received.

The case will be examined and adjusted as early as practicable.

I am, sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

N. F. Webster,

Auditor.

John Robinson Esq.
East Pascagoula
Mississippi.

F. J. G.

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Treasury Department,

Fourth Auditor's Office,

Dec 18th, 1866

Sir:

The application of *myself*
for Prize Money, ~~is~~ herewith returned for the following corrections:

Requires a 5 Revenue Stamp

[Three large, stylized wavy lines representing a stamp or signature]

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

S. J. W. Talley

Auditor.

John Robinson
East Pascagoula
Miss

B.R.D.

Treasury Department,

Fourth Auditor's Office,

November 16th 1866.

Sir: Your name does not appear on the rolls of Paymaster C. B. Gold September 17th 1865. C. H. Gould, to whom you say your accounts were transferred, was not a Paymaster in the United States Navy subsequent to September 19th 1865. Your claim therefore cannot be adjusted until I am informed upon whose rolls you were last borne for pay.

Please state particularly, all the circumstances relating to your accounts.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
S. W. Tabor,
Auditor

John Robinson
East Pascagoula
Miss.

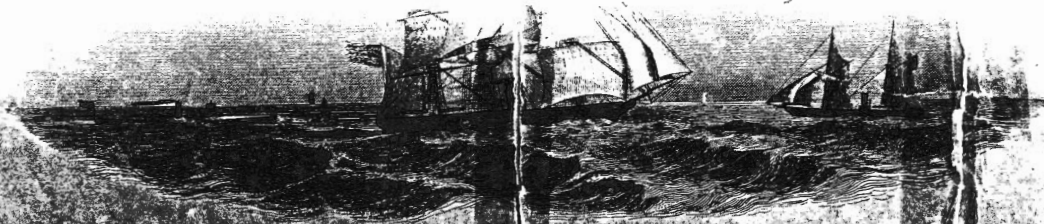
W. H. H.

RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF CLAIMS,
Appointed under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1871.

1. Every claim shall be stated in a petition addressed to THE COMMISSIONERS OF CLAIMS, under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1871, Washington, D. C.
2. The petition must state the full names of all the claimants, their present residence, and their residence when their claims accrued.
3. The petition must state who was the original owner of the claim, who now are owners thereof or interested therein, and when and upon what consideration such persons became so interested.
4. The facts required hereby to be set forth in the petition must be stated, with time and place, clearly, concisely, fully as to all material circumstances, and not argumentatively.
5. In setting forth the facts which must be stated in the petition, the claimant must distinguish between the facts which he states of his own knowledge and those which he states upon information and belief. He must say as to the first that he avers them of his own knowledge; and as to the last, that he states them upon information and belief.
6. The petition must state that the claimants are citizens who remained loyal adherents to the cause and the Government of the United States during the war, and were so loyal before and at the time of the taking or furnishing of the property for which claim is made.
7. The petition must state, with as much particularity and exactness as the claimant's knowledge or means of information will enable him to do, the kind, quantity, quality, and value of the stores or supplies taken or furnished, during the rebellion, for the use of the army of the United States for which payment is claimed, and if

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the name or names of the person or persons taking the property, and whether they were officers or soldiers of the United States, and to what company or regiment they belonged, and, if officers, their rank, and where they were then stationed, and the name of the officer in command of the United States forces in the district in which the property was taken, to what place or station the property was removed, and for the use of what persons, company, regiment, or military organization in the service of the United States it was taken, and whether any voucher, receipt, or other writing was given therefor by the persons taking the property. If a voucher or other writing was given, the original, or a copy of it, must be annexed to the petition, but if not within the control of the claimants it must be averred where the original paper is, or is believed to be, and the substance of it must be set forth.



Navy Department

The war for the preservation of the Union having, under the beneficent guidance of Almighty God, been brought to a successful termination, a reduction of the Naval force becomes necessary.

Having served with fidelity in the United States Navy from the 10th day of December 1862 to the present date, you are hereby honorably discharged, with the thanks of the Department.



Given under my hand and seal of the Navy Department, at the City of Washington, this 19th day of December 1864.

William Melick

Secretary of the Navy

Acting Master and Pilot
John Robinson

U.S. Navy

Mobile Ala

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M. CALDWELL.

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Jones.
Enterprise Courier.

We are authorized to state that the regular spring term of circuit court will not be held in either of the counties of Green, Perry or Jones. There is very little business pending in either of the counties, and at the earnest request of the officials and citizens, Judges Hamm and Mayers have agreed that no court shall be held at the regular time. These counties are poor and the expense of a court is burdensome, and there being no necessity for holding court, of course it is better that none should be held. Judge Hamm and Judge Mayers are both always ready and willing to hold the courts required by law, and only prevent them when it is the desire of the citizens that they should not be held.

Religious Notice.

Rev. J. W. McLaurin (Methodist), will preach at Bay St. Louis, on the 1st and 2d Sabbath in each month, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

At Pass Christian on the 3d Sabbath in each month, at 7 p.m.

At Hattiesburg on the 4th Sabbath, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Blanks! Blanks!

Justices of the Peace will find all kinds of legal blanks for sale at this office, at low down figures for the cash.

DIED.

ROBINSON - At his residence near Three Rivers, in Jackson county, Miss., on the 22d ult., at 4 o'clock, Capt. John Robinson, in the 70th year of his age, after a long and painful illness of four months.

Captain Robinson bore his affliction with much patience; but finally had to yield to the iron hand of death. Thus passed away a husband, a father and a good citizen of Jackson county. His funeral was largely attended. Peace to his ashes.

New Orleans Times please copy.

Marine & Commercial.

OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRAT-STAR, PASCAGOULA, Thursday, April 4, 1880.
(For the week ending Mar. 31.)

ARRIVED.

Am bk Mercellita, Thacher, 814 tons, from Mobile, in ballast to S. S. Henry, ex-empt from entrance at Customhouse by virtue of Dec. 4301 Revised Statutes of the United States, and of Treasury department circular of June

I will pay the highest market price for all WOOL delivered at my store on Biloxi River, Miss. - I will also sell.

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES

as cheap as the cheapest.
I sell for CASH and buy for CASH.
JAMES P. RAMSAY.
Ramseyville, April 2, 1880.

Dr. A. P. Champlin,

Biloxi, Miss.
Has returned to Biloxi to stay. He ten- ders his services to the citizens generally.
March 19, 1880.

CHAS. E. SCHMIDT,

OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS.

Family Groceries

Canned Goods, Cigars, Tobacco, Etc.
Fresh goods always on hand at the low- est prices. The public is invited to call and examine.
Nov. 7, 1879.

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H. KREBS & SON,

East Pascagoula, Miss.,

DRY GOODS,

Notions, Hosiery.

BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS.

CLOTHING and CHOICE

FAMILY GROCERIES,

LIQUOR.

PROVISIONS AND FEED.

HARDWARE, TINWARE,

CROCKERY WARE,

WOODEN WARE,

AND CUTLERY.

Highest market price paid for

Country Produce.

Jan. 3, 1880.

CAREY & LAURENDINE,

Opposite the Democrat-Star office, Scranton, Miss.

Are just in receipt of their large stock of

FALL & WINTER GOODS

Dry Goods, No Quons, Boots,

SHOES, HATS, CLOTHING, Etc.

Also Groceries, Canned Goods, Tinware,

Hardware, Corn, Oats, Bran, and every- thing connected with a FIRST-CLASS STORE,

which will be sold low down for the cash.

Also Wines, Liquors, Ale, &c. Give us a call and see for yourselves.

Dec. 6, 79-15.

Pascagoula

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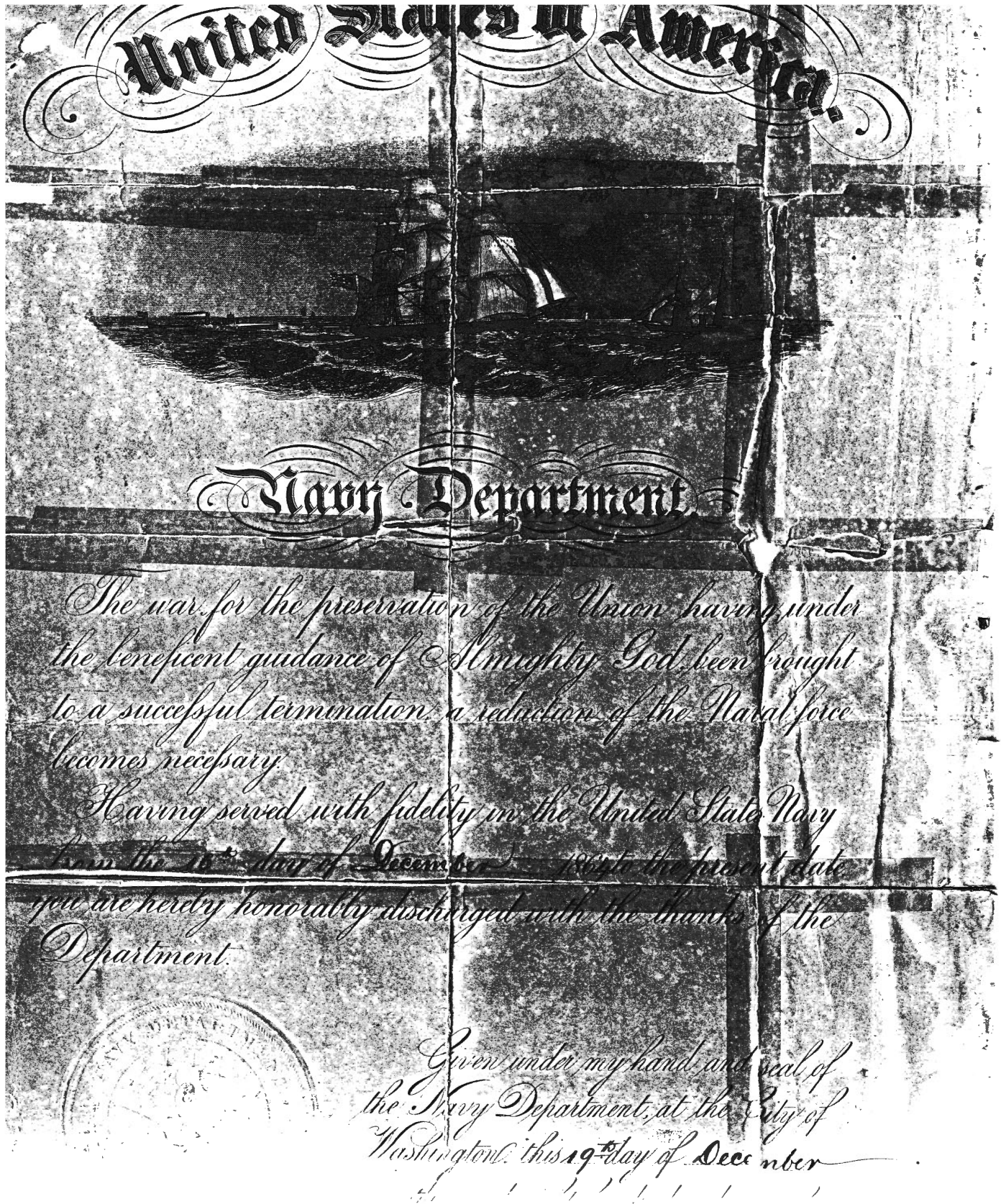
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24 Flagship Station
New Orleans
Mar 7 1863

Sir: You will go on board
the USS Pantheon &
report to Capt Blanchard
at once as Pilot of the
vessel - The paymaster
of the Sackem will make
up your account there
for you up to the
Pantheon

Respectfully
D. G. Tomagay
Near Union

To
~~Mr. J. L. Nelson~~
Pilot of the Sackem
New Orleans



going to pass on the main S.W. by the
point the light house come round to you
for about 15 minutes had in W by S 1/4
I for St Joseph W. S. W until light
then W. by S. you keep the light 1/2 mile
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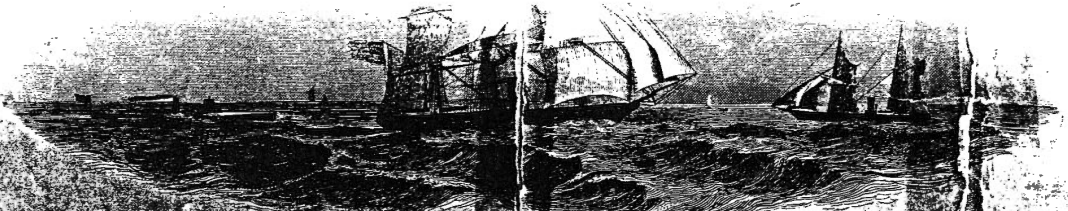
come round require Light S.E. suit him
if you find hard bottom keep to the South
until you to the light gratulate point the light
and your standard for point.
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point head up and E. some times S.W. by E
for St Joseph Light Marianna Light E.
until you with distance from it head up
to the light and at port side in front
the station south S.E. for about 3 miles
at head up S.W. by E. Until you see Ship
Island Light

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68 Chancery Court Records, Jackson County, Mississippi

Miss Laura Gautier, administratrix; final account allowed; administratrix discharged.

361. Mrs. Cornelia O. Harrington vs. Eugene C. Harrington
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 295, #68, 6 Sep 1880
 Petition of dower; decree of confession against Eugene C. Harrington who failed to plead
 answer to petition.
 Cornelia O. Harrington vs Eugene C. Harrington
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 324, 12 Mar 1881
 Motion to confirm the allotment of dower; allotment confirmed.
362. Probate of estate of John Robinson, deceased
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 286, 6 Mar 1880
 Will admitted for probate, Harriet Robinson, widow.
363. Smith Hough vs. Sarah Hough
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 298, #69, 7 Sep 1880
 Marriage dissolved.
364. R. B. Alley
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 299, 7 Sep 1880
 Petition to remove minority disabilities of Robert B. Alley; Mrs. Isabella Alley, his mother;
 Virginia Alley, his sister; petition approved.
365. Charles H. Wood, complainant
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 301, #68, 8 Sep 1880
 Bill of dower; Land of John Williamson sold and proceeds divided between respondents:
 Laura Williamson, widow of John Williamson; Alice Williamson, Emily Williamson,
 Mollie V. Williamson, Ida Williamson, minor children of John Williamson; Peter
 Williamson, Samuel James, Harriet James, George Daily, and William Daily.
 Charles H Woods vs. Peter Williamson
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 311, 7 Mar 1881
 Malcolm McLeod, uncle of William Daily, minor; motion to give custody of said minors
 interest in the funds of the sale of real estate to Malcolm McLeod; motion approved.
 Charles Wood et al vs. Peter Williamson et al
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1
 Page 345, #73, 6 mar 1882
 A motion of complainant; it appearing that the defendants Mollie V. Williamson, Ida
 Williamson, and Laura Williamson have no appointed legal guardian and that their shares
 in the sale of real estate is \$66.65; ordered that Mrs. Emily Williamson, mother of said
 minors, be appointed to receive and receipt for said minors share of sale of real estate.
366. Guardianship of Charles Sulley
 Recorded in Jackson County Chancery Court Minute Book 1



Navy Department

The war for the preservation of the Union having, under the beneficent guidance of Almighty God, been brought to a successful termination, a reduction of the Naval force becomes necessary.

Having served with fidelity in the United States Navy from the 1st day of December 1864 to the present date you are hereby honorably discharged with the thanks of the Department.



Given under my hand and seal of the Navy Department, at the City of Washington, this 19th day of December one thousand eight hundred and six.

Acting Master and Pilot
John Robinson
U.S. Navy.

Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy

en these rogues would be abandon their work, and less instances these dep have been identified in the work, and notwith this have been treated kindness by those they ed. This treatment, it would be the means of e rogues' attentions to a orable calling; but alas, ed human nature, could to be a grievous kindness begets kind will not only kill your deep in return, but invite take of this meat with good assembly had col at the schoolhouse on the place designated for the he dogs were thrown he house was soon filled bent upon their duty as nined no longer to tame o robbery, but who were uile as one in support her in ferretting out all us upon them and their, ug the guilty to speedy Mr. T. W. Watkins upon to address the as which call was well re in a neat and pointed he in Mr. W. graphic d the condition of af y have been for ages, edisadvantages our peo bering under in the old ach man for himself and e the blindmost, whil ration they had nothing to reap success as the will here state that Mr. founder of this move and rights zealously red in this cause, beg own private interests e of the people, too cannot be bestowed gentleman for the inter- n in this movement. Mr. this was elected presi re S-y more, vice presi er Crook, secretary; treasurer.

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Jones.

Enterprise Courier.

We are authorized to state that the regular spring term of circuit court will not be held in either of the counties of Green, Perry or Jones. There is very little business pending in either of the counties, and at the earnest request of the officials and citizens, Judges Hamm and Mayers have agreed that no court shall be held at the regular time. These counties are poor and the expense of a court is burdensome, and, there being no necessity for holding court, of course it is better that none should be held. Judge Hamm and Judge Mayers are both always ready and willing to hold the courts required by law, and only protest them when it is the desire of the citizens that they should not be held.

Religious Notice.

Rev. J. W. McLaurin (Methodist), will preach at Bay St. Louis, on the 1st and 2d Sabbath in each month, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

At Pass Christian on the 3d Sabbath in each month, at 7 p.m.

At Hattiesburg on the 4th Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Blanks! Blanks!

Justices of the Peace will find all kinds of legal blanks for sale at this office, at low down figures for the cash.

DIED.

ROBINSON - At his residence near Three Rivers, in Jackson county, Miss., on the 22d ult., at 4 o'clock, Capt. John Robinson, in the 70th year of his age, after a long and painful illness of four months.

Captain Robinson bore his affliction with much patience; but finally had to yield to the iron hand of death. Thus passed away a husband, a father and a good citizen of Jackson county. His funeral was largely attended. Peace to his ashes. J. W. F.

New Orleans Times please copy.

Marine & Commercial.

OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRAT-STAR, PASCAGOULA, Thursday, April 1, 1880. (For the week ending Mar. 31.)

ARRIVED.

Am bk Mercellita, Thacher, 814 tons, from Mobile, in ballast to S. S. Henry, ex-empt from entrance at Customhouse by virtue of Sec. 4301 Revised Statutes of the United States.

Robinson

I will pay the highest market price for all WOOL delivered at my store on Biloxi River, Miss. I will also sell

DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES

as cheap as the cheapest.

I sell for CASH and buy for CASH.

JAMES P. RAMSAY.

Ramseyville, April 2, 1880. 2-2m

Dr. A. P. Champlin,

Biloxi, Miss.

Has returned to Biloxi to stay. He tenders his services to the citizens generally. March 19, 1880. 52-6m

CHAS. E. SCHMIDT,

OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS.

Dealer in

Family Groceries

Canned Goods, Cigars, Tobacco, Etc.

Fresh goods always on hand at the lowest prices. The public is invited to call and examine.

Nov. 7 1879

33-6m

SCRA-TON.

H. KREBS & SON,

East Pascagoula, Miss.

DEALERS IN

DRY GOODS,

Nations, Hosiery,

BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS,

CLOTHING and CHOICE

FAMILY GROCERIES,

LIQUOR,

PROVISIONS AND FEED

HARDWARE, TINWARE,

CROCKERY WARE,

WOODEN WARE,

AND CUTLERY.

Highest market price paid for

Country Produce.

Jan. 3, 1880.

At ly

M. V. B. CAREY, J. W. LAURENDINE

CAREY & LAURENDINE,

Opposite the Democrat-Star office,

Scranton,

Miss.

Are just in receipt of their large stock of

FALL & WINTER GOODS

Dry Goods, Notions, Boots,

SHOES, HATS, CLOTHING, ETC.

Also Groceries, Canned Goods, Tinware,

Hardware, Corn, Oats, Bran, and every thing connected with a FIRST-CLASS STORE,

which will be sold low down for the cash.

Also Wines, Liquors, Ale, &c. Give us a call and see for yourselves.

Dec. 6, 1879.

Pascagoula

Corn and Grist Mill,

Pascagoula, (Scranton P. O.)

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the completion of the Levees upon the Mississippi river." And whereas the said

One (1) of Section No Twenty Six (26)
No Six (6) West and Lot No Four
of the Levee (7) North, of Range
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One hundred & Twenty Six (100) Acres.

with said act of the Legislature in such case made and provided, hath given and granted, and by
and to me his heirs and assigns, the said tract of land above described;
belonging, unto the said John Robinson

I, JOHN J. McRAE, Governor of the State aforesaid, have caused these
and the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed.

at the City of Jackson, the Ninth
in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and

of the sovereignty of the State of Mississippi the thirty Eightth

John J. McRae
F STATE.

MISSISSIPPI,

Acting:

enacted an act for the reclamation of the swamp and overflowed public lands, and for the improvement of
Mississippi, was authorized and required, under the direction of the Governor, to issue scrip for the swamp land
the said section of said act, in quantities of not less than forty acres, nor more than one section, as said
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belonging, unto the said John Robinson

Whereof, I, JOHN J. McRAE, Governor of the State aforesaid, have caused these

and the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed.

and, at the City of Jackson, the Wm. H.

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the navigation of various rivers and streams in this State, the Secretary of State, of the State of Mississippi, was authorized in the different counties in which they lie, to the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of the 2nd section of the act of the 2nd section of the Commissioners shall elect: And whereas, said land scrip having been issued and distributed according to the provisions of the act of the 2nd section of the Commissioners shall elect: And whereas, said land scrip having been issued and distributed according to the provisions of the act of the 2nd section of the Commissioners shall elect: And whereas, said land scrip having become the holder of Jackson County land warrants, No. Four (4)

said swamp land Commissioners of said county: And regularly endorsed by the Secretary of State in pursuance of the act of the 2nd, 1854, entitled "an act to provide for the further issue of swamp land scrip, for the purpose of raising in the common

John Robinson having located said warrants on the South of Range No. 4 in Township No. 14 (6) South of Range No. 4) of Section 11 (11) in Township No. 14 (6) West, in Section 11 (11) in Township No. 14 (6) West, in Jackson County, Mississippi, containing One (1) acre of land.

Now, know ye, That the State of Mississippi, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with said act of the 2nd section of the Commissioners shall elect: And whereas, said land scrip having become the holder of John Robinson to have and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances thereto belonging, unto him and to his heirs and assigns forever.



BY THE GOVERNOR,

In Testimony Whereof, I,

Letters to be made, and the

Given under my hand, at the

day of April

fifty four of the

A. B. Wright
SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Mississippi
No 3 Patent

John Robinson

April 9th 1856

Fees \$250

Harriet

\$250

U. S. FLAG SHIP

Hartford

WEST GULF SQUADRON.

Augt 31 1834.

Sir
Report to Captain I B
Marchand for duty on the
USS Lackawanna.

Very Resly
J. H. Hargrave
Rear Admiral

First Class Pilot

John Robinson

Reported 15 Sept. 1864

J. B. Conkline
Captain

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11.

Treasury Department,

Fourth Auditor's Office,

January 15th 1867.

The application of

yourself

late of the U S S. Connerough, for prize
money, is received, and Discharge has been returned

The claim will be disposed of as early as possible, and the result
communicated to you.

I am, sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

S. F. W. Talbot,

Auditor.

John Robinson
Capt Pascagoula
Miss.

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U. S. FLAG SHIP *Hartford*.....

WESTERN GULF SQUADRON,

Off *Pensacola* April 1, 1864.

Sir

You are hereby appointed first
Class Pilot for Mobile and Mississippi
Sound. Subject to the approval of the Secretary of
the Navy.

I am very Respy
Yours &c &c

D. G. Harcourt
Rear Admiral

First Class Pilot

John Robinson

U.S.S. Tennessee

7.5. Hartford Jan 13th 1863

Sir,

You will take onboard as a Pilot
for the Mississippi Sound & Lake Pontchartrain
the brigs John Robinson by respectfully
at seventy dollars per month - L. G. Hannay.

Res. Edward

To

Atty Martin

Ch. Johnson

Comd. Scham

Reported this day Jan 12. 63
A. E. Reynolds
ex off

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West Gulf Squadron,
U. S. Flag Ship Stockdale,
off Mobile, Ala.
6 April 1865.

Sir,

You are hereby attached from the U. S. S. Rodolph
and ordered to report to Lieut. Commander Geo. Brown,
comdg. the U. S. S. Cincinnati,
for duty on board of that vessel.

Delivered
April 7th 1865

Very Respectfully,

H. W. Hatch

Act. Rear Admiral.

Master and Pilot
Comd'g. W. G. Squadron.

To
Act. Master and Pilot

John Robinson, U. S. N.
of U. S. S. Rodolph
off Mobile, Ala.

Respectfully
Geo. Brown
Lieut. Comdr.

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FLAG SHIP, *Hartford*,
Mobile Bay, October 1st, 1864.

SIR,—

You are hereby appointed an Acting
Master..... on temporary duty in the United
States Navy, for special service as a Pilot.

You will hold this appointment subject to the approval of the Hon.
Secretary of the Navy, and you will, after having executed the enclosed oath, report
for duty on board the U.S.S. Rodolph. Your pay as Acting
Master will, by order of the Department, begin from the date
of this appointment.

Very Respectfully, &c.

D. T. Amagall

Rear Admiral Commanding.

Acting Master
John Robinson,
U.S.S. Rodolph.

Mobile Bay

Reported

Nov 21st 1864

Lee Bligham

U.S.S. Commodore

U. S. FLAG SHIP

Hartford

OFF

Mobile

Sept 19th

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Sir

*Transfer the account of First Class
Pilot John Robinson to the USS Rodolph.*

Very Respy

D. V. Farnag

Rear Admiral

Captain I. B. Marchant

USS Lackawanna

Mobile Bay

Navy Department,

16th Dec., 1864.

Sir:

Having been on duty as an Acting Master & Pilot
in the Navy of the United States, on
temporary service, from Oct. 1st 1864, your appointment from that
date is hereby confirmed, for special service as such.

After having executed the enclosed oath, and returned it to the
Department, with your letter of acceptance, you will report to
Comm. J. S. Palmer, Comdg West Gulf
Squadron (pro tem)
for such duty as he may assign you.

Very respectfully,

William McKee

Secretary of the Navy.

Acting Master & Pilot
John Robinson

Forwarded by
Thos. J. Jackson

U. S. Navy, Cape Cod
West Gulf Squadron

Comm. Palmer.

West Gulf Squadron,

U. S. FLAG SHIP

Stockdale
Off Mobile
March 20. 1865.

On

You will please meet in
the boat beside signal look in
pencil the following numbers.

19. Antona 66.	Cornelia 139.	J. J. Jackson 214.	Oray
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21. A. L. Moore 68.	Circumia 152.	Kittatimny	239. Port Royal
22. Althea 69.	Chickara 155.	Kieraps	240 Pink
38. Bloomer 86.	Estrella 168.	Sacramento	261. Rodolphe
39. Bohio 87.	Elk 188.	Metis	296. Stordale
40. Buckthorn 117.	Glusyn 190.	M. A. Wood	297. Seaf.
43. Choura 118.	Guene 191.	Metacomet	298. Selma
63. Fort Gam 119.	Gertrude 202.	Niyanga	299. Sam Nautis
64. Charlotte 127.	Hollyhock 203.	Narcissus	308. Tallahatchie
25. Corythus 138.	Ida 212.	Olethara	309. Tritonia
			341. Princeps

Very respectfully

E. Simpson

Fleet Captain

For

A. Master Pilot

Mr. Stewart. Jr.

Commissary Corrythus
Mobile Bay.

Commissary in Chief

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HEADQUARTERS 4TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

(DEPARTMENT OF MISSISSIPPI.)

Jackson, Miss., December 10, 1869.

SPECIAL ORDERS. }
No. 266. }

[EXTRACT.]

V. The following named persons are hereby appointed to office in the State of Mississippi:

JACKSON COUNTY.

Henry Kirkwood, Clerk of the Probate and Circuit Courts, *vice* John R. Bingham, removed.

Peter Reeves, Treasurer, to fill existing vacancy.

John Robinson, Member of the Board of Police, to fill existing vacancy.

Peter B. Clark, Member of the Board of Police, *vice* John M. Goff, removed.

John James, Member of the Board of Police, *vice* Henry Colmer, removed.

William H. Gillespie, Member of the Board of Police, *vice* Griffin Carter, removed.

Antony Marenovich, Member of the Board of Police, *vice* William Reeves, removed.

Vincent Baptiste, Justice of the Peace, to fill existing vacancy.

Appointees must file with the proper officer such bonds and other recognizances as may be required by the statute laws of the State of Mississippi, and take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed by the Act of Congress of July 2d, 1862.

Official notification from the officer who approves the bonds, that the law imposing bonds has been faithfully complied with and that the bondsmen are known to him as reliable and responsible men, together with the oath of office, will be forwarded to the Acting Assistant Adjutant General at these Headquarters. Upon their receipt, if satisfactory, they will be furnished with written authority from these Headquarters to enter upon the discharge of the duties of the offices to which they have been appointed.

BY COMMAND OF BREVET MAJOR GENERAL AMES:

WILLIAM ATWOOD,

Aide-de-Camp,

*Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:

Aide-de-Camp.

Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

Headquarters Fourth Military District,

(DEPARTMENT OF MISSISSIPPI.)

OFFICE OF CIVIL AFFAIRS.

Jackson, Miss., Dec 10th 1869.

John Robinson Esq,
Americus,
Miss.

Sir:

By direction of the Commanding General I have the honor to enclose herewith
your commission and order of appointment to the office of Member of the
Board of Police, Jackson County.

You will please acknowledge the receipt of this communication, and comply with
the requirements of the order of appointment if you accept the office.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Wm Atwood

Aide-de-Camp,
Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

From "Menny Freemens"



A REVERY

BY ANNIE LAURA ALBERTS, '39

FROM MY place on the horsehair sofa in grandmother's living room I could see the glittering surface of the asphalt road dappled with shadows cast by the great magnolia tree against the fence. Not long ago it was a dirt road, yet the main thoroughfare of this country town. It was a dirt road when grandfather lived here. I wondered what it was when great grandfather came. So often I had heard his story—how he ran away from his home in England to become a cabin boy on a schooner, how he came to this country and later with his family settled in Mobile.

A stray breath of air lifted the limp, aging sheet of paper I held—paper that had set my thoughts running, wondering about that adopted southerner. This morning while going through grandmother's trunk I had found his discharge papers from the United States Navy at the end of the Civil War. Among them was this more interesting, more human document, this letter that stirred a flood of puzzling questions. Why had my

great grandfather fought on the side of the North when he lived in the South? Grandmother herself couldn't exactly understand why. She thought perhaps that because of his coming here from England to settle, he had to swear allegiance to the United States government. And anyway, grandmother always hastened to add, he didn't do any active fighting; he thought war unjust, uncivilized. No, he was a pilot for the United States Navy, and a pilot's only duty is to guide his ship safely. That, my great grandfather did, and so well that at the close of the war when he moved to Mississippi he was appointed an officer to help take charge of Confederate prisoners. I wondered what the South thought of this man who was their neighbor and their enemy, one of them and yet not one of them. Grandmother said everyone respected him, for he was as kind and generous as he was stern. At any time he was ready to help them—black or white, it made little difference to him. And during the months that followed the war, everybody forgot

FROM "MENNY FREEMENS"

that he had served on the side of the enemy. He sat by the sick; he gave money; he helped bury the dead.

How, though, did these war-stung southerners react to his "cors" with regard to the negroes that this letter hinted at so darkly? What did he really think about the negroes? Did he truly believe in the liberty of all men regardless of "race, color, or previous condition of servitude"? Or was he a humanitarian refusing to tolerate the conditions of the South? When his duty was done, he laid aside the apparel of war to become a friend and fellow-worker. I knew that as I deciphered the crude, faded words of this note from "menny freemens." And my great grandfather had a sense of humor, too, or he would never have taken the pains to preserve the sheet of paper. I read once again the poorly spelled but sincere words of the negro.

What were my great grandfather's thoughts in 1868 when the "Colored gentlemen" of the Loyal League sent their gift?

Pasbigolar Miss June 23rd 1868
John Roberson Esq

Sir

At a meeting of the Loil Leeag of this vecinity on last nite it was unanimously agreed that we should by sum testimonial endors your cors yesterday and as it would be imposible for us to rais any large amount will do what we can hoping

you will take the will for the deed. We send the resolutions for the Leeag. We the Loil Leeagers and colored citzens intend to crush out the rebelous spirit of the white trash even if it has to be dun by starvin out the last one of the miserable set and we intend each one of us to have a mule and forty akers of land and wharas morover in this Community of over three hundred voters we have only one of the vagibond set that is willing to go with us Therefore be it Resolved that the thanks of the Loil Leeag of East Pasbigolar are due and are hereby tendered to John Roberson for his Support of equal rights and morover resolves further that we are fully convinsed that he is as near equal to a Colored gentleman as any of the white trash can be and we will reccommend him to the Loil men eviry whar and advise Colored gentlemen to admit him on an equality with them and to receive him into their Sasity as an equal and that he be intitled to a mule and forty akers of land the same as Colored men Resolved further and morover that a copy of these resolutions be sent to John Roberson and also that all the Loil Papers eviry whar be requested to copy free of charge to the said John Roberson

ps. Sur we don what we could to rais a barril of flower but we bin to so much expense in de lecction we cudden raise it We don de bess we cud and sen you a plug of tobaker hopin you and your family is well and dat we may hav de pleuser to coll on you verry soon We remain

Menny Freemens

Note: This letter was found by Miss Alberts among her great grandfather's papers.

New Orleans
June 30th 1862

This is to certify that
John Robinson has been
pilot on Steamboat
Louis Whiteman on
Lake Ponchartrain and
Mississippi Sound and by
the way of Ship Island to
the Miss River to New Orleans
and furthermore he is well
acquainted with the Miss
Sound and was always
attentive to his duties.
And I know him to be a good
Union man.

H. A. Brown
Captain of Steamboat
Louis Whiteman

My Merchandise and Groceries
have determined After consultation
with the General commanding this
military department to take possession
of the purpose of distributing amongst
the families of our Soldiers who are
in need In pursuance of this
action I hereby appoint you an Agent
acting under my orders to distribute
aid flour to the best of your Judgement
and report as you have done ^{may}
by the parties to whom you distribute
and the amount distributed to each
family

For the detention and Expenses
which you and I M Jones have been
put to you are authorized to keep
a Barrell between you also
Instructed to say to Mr Robinson that
he refuses in future to receive
confederate Money in payment for his
goods or produce that he will be
ordered to this City to answer for the
same

Respectfully
H. J. Humphries.

Duplicate

Head Quarters
Provost Marshall's Office
Jas J Parker Esq Mobile May 15th 1862

Sir Information having
been received by me that you have
flour belonging to John Robinson
living on East Pascagoula River
and that the said John Robinson has
refused to receive Confederate Money
for his Merchandise and Groceries
I have determined After consultation
with the General commanding this
Military department to take possession
for the purpose of distributing among
the families of our Soldiers who are
in need In pursuance of this
action I hereby appoint you an Agent
acting under my orders to distribute
said flour to the best of your Judgement
and report as you have done may
say the parties to whom you distribute
and the amount distributed to each
family For the detention and Expence
which you and I M Jones have been

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Pensions, Patents, Bounties, Prize Money, New Discharges, Back Pay, &c.

POSTAGE. All claimants are requested to keep me whole in the matter of postage. This is a small matter to each claimant but a very important one to me. If you desire a prompt reply always enclose stamps and notify me to inform me if you change your P. O. address.

TEN YEARS EXPERIENCE IN THE BUSINESS.

W. H. WILLS,

Attorney at Law and Solicitor of Claims and Patents,

OFFICE, 129 INDIANA AVENUE.

P. O. BOX 88.

Washington, D. C., 3/30/1892.

Dear Madam:

In reply to yours of recent date I would state
Relative to your claim for pension
I herewith enclose prepared affidavit
for yourself showing that you nor your
husband, Jas Robinson dec'd, had no
previous marriage, and that he rendered
no service to the U.S. subsequent to his dis-
charge from U.S. Navy which you should
sign and have executed if correct. I
also enclose a prepared affidavit for two
of your friends who have been some
time acquainted with you to show that
you are dependent on your own labor
and have no property from which would
yield an income, which you should
have executed and return for filing.

Very truly
W. H. Wills

United States Commissioner's Court,

— FOR THE —

DISTRICT OF Louisiana



The President of the United States,

To John Robinson Esq.
Three Rivers Jackson & Prop

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Undersigned SPECIAL
COMMISSIONER OF CLAIMS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF

Miss - at his Office, in *Mass Point* on the
4th day of *April* 1876 at *10* o'clock, *A. M.*
and there to testify the truth according to your knowledge in the matter of

M. Pol -
vs.

The U.S. Government
and herein fail not under the penalty of \$250.

Special U. S. Commissioner's Office, *Mass Point Miss April* 1876

Emos F. Williams

Special U. S. Commissioner of Claims,
Under Act of Congress of May 11th, 1872.

Si. 340.

Department of the Interior
General Land Office
June 8 1867.

Sir

I received your letter of the 21st ult: respecting the sale by the Authority of Mississippi of certain public lands situated in Jackson County. I have to state that sales of that character of land, belonging to the United States have no legal validity, and hence are held to be null, void and of no effect whatever. With respect to the 24 Towns: 6 Sects. of Range 6 West. in the said County I have to state that the books of this office show the $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ to have been sold by the United States in the year 1853. and the $\frac{1}{4}$ of $\frac{1}{4}$ to have been approved to.

the State as Swamp Land donated by
Act of 28 Sept: 1850. In reference to the
other portion of said Section the proper
place for obtaining information is the local
Land Office at Jackson, Miss: to which you
are respectfully referred.

James Lii

Very Respectfully:

Yours Obedt. Servt:

B. H. Sloan

Commissioner

John Robinson Esq:

Jackson, C. D.

Jackson County, Miss:

U. S. Steamer Hatteras.
January 5th 1863.

John Robinson has been with me as
Pilot in the Mississippi Sound, on this vessel
for the term of five ~~months~~^{years}, and during that time
he has faithfully and satisfactorily performed
his duty. I consider him a good Pilot in
the Sound, and cheerfully recommend him.

N. C. Blake
Sr Comr.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
FOURTH AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

January 29th, 1867.

SIR:

Herewith you will receive a Certificate for \$ 198. 30th, payable by the
Paymaster at New Orleans, which sum is
due you as your share of prize money accruing from
the capture of the Tennessee
by the U. S. S.

"Commanche"

I am, sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

John Robinson

Pascagoula

Mississippi

J. H. Taber

Auditor.